GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Tirupati Municipal Corporation - Penalty of stoppage of one annual grade increment with cumulative effect imposed against Sri P. Govardhan, the then Sanitary Inspector, Tirupati Municipal Corporation, Tirupati - Penalty set aside by the Hon'ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh – Revised penalty of withholding of 2% pension for a period of one year - Orders - Issued.

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 1112 **Dated: 10-10-2025**

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Rt.No.477 MA&UD(Vig.III-1) department, dt.31.07.2019.
2. Orders dated 24.01.2025 of Hon'ble High Court of A.P. at Amaravati in W.P.No.1274/2020 filed by Sri P. Govardhan, S/o. Sri P. Subrahmanyam working as Sanitary Supervisor, TMC, Tirupati, Chittoor District
3. Govt.Memo.No.9232/Vig.III/2024, MA&UD (VIG.III) Dept, Dt.14.07.2025
4. Defense Statement of Sri P. Govardhan, the then Sanitary Supervisor, Tirupathi Municipal Corporation (now retd), dated. 21.07.2025.
5. Govt.Memo.No.9232/Vig.III/2024, MA&UD (VIG.III) Dept, Dt.26.08.2025.
6. Representation of of Sri P. Govardhan, the then Sanitary Supervisor, Tirupathi Municipal Corporation (now retd), dated.25.09.2025.

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ORDER:-

In the G.O. 1st read above, a penalty of stoppage of one Annual Grade Increment with cumulative effect has been imposed against Sri P. Govardhan, the then Sanitary Inspector, Tirupati Municipal Corporation, on the charges of failure to obtain the prior permission in acquisition of immovable properties and not filing Annual Property Returns.

2. Sri P. Govardhan, the then Sanitary Inspector, Tirupati Municipal Corporation has filed Writ Petition No.1274 of 2020 in the Hon’ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh, against the orders of penalty. In the reference 2nd read above, the Hon'ble High Court of A.P. allowed the Writ Petition and set aside the orders of penalty with a direction to conduct fresh enquiry and pass reasoned order, by giving opportunity of personal hearing to the petitioner, in accordance with law.

3. In compliance with the orders of the Hon'ble High Court, an inquiry was conducted by providing opportunity of personal hearing to the petitioner. In the reference 4th read above, Sri P. Govardhan has submitted his defence statement, requesting to take a lenient view against the lapses and kindly drop the charges against him, otherwise reduce the major penalty of stoppage of one annual Grade increment with cumulative effect to a minor penalty.

4. Government, after taking into consideration the findings of the Inquiry Officer and defence statement of Sri P. Govardhan, the then Sanitary Inspector, Tirupati Municipal Corporation, Tirupati (now retired), have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of withholding 2% pension for a period of one year instead of earlier punishment imposed in the G.O. 1st read above and a show cause notice has been issued to him, for making representation against the proposed penalty, in the Govt. Memo 5th read above. In the reference 6th read above,

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Sri P. Govardhan has submitted his explanation to the show cause notice. Government have examined the same and observed that he has not submitted any new grounds/material to reconsider the provisional decision of the Government.

5. Government, after careful examination of the matter, hereby withdrawn the penalty imposed in the G.O. 1st read above and impose a penalty of withholding of 2% pension for a period of one year against Sri P. Govardhan, the then Sanitary Inspector, Tirupati Municipal Corporation, Tirupati, (now retired) under Rule 9 of the A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

6. The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Vaddeswaram shall take further necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S. SURESH KUMAR, I.A.S
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri P.Govardhan, Sanitary Inspector, Tirupati Municipal Corporation, Tirupati, Chittoor District - **through** the Commissioner, Tirupati Municipal Corporation, Tirupati.

The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, AP, Vaddeswaram.

Copy to:

The RDMA, Ananthapuramu.
The Pay and Accounts Officer, A.P. Mangalagiri.
The Ps to principal Secretary, MA&UD Dept.
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